



TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

No. 8—1955

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H. E. RANCE

Governor.

2nd March, 1955.

AN ORDINANCE to amend the Supplemental Police Ordinance, Ch. 11. No. 2.

[On Proclamation] No. 12/1955: G.N. 93/1955

Commencement 1.6.55

ENACTED by the Governor of Trinidad and Tobago with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council thereof.

1. (1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Supplemental Police (Amendment) Ordinance, 1955, and shall be read as one with the Supplemental Police Ordinance, hereinafter referred to as the Principal Ordinance.

(2) This Ordinance shall come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Governor by proclamation in the *Royal Gazette*.

Section 2 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
amended

2. Section 2 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution for the definitions of "employer" and "estate" respectively of the following—

" 'employer' includes Her Majesty in Her Government of the Colony, and the owner, manager, attorney or agent of any estate on which any estate or district constables are employed;

'estate' includes any plantation, lands, warehouse, storehouse, or business premises: Provided that where two or more estates as so defined are in the ownership of the same employer, the Commissioner of Police, on the application of such employer, may by order direct that any or all of such estates shall be deemed to be one estate for the purposes of this Ordinance, and such estates shall thereupon be deemed to be one estate;".

Section 3 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
amended

3. Section 3 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution of a semicolon for the full stop appearing at the end thereof and by the addition thereafter of the following new paragraph:—

"(c) a District Police."

Section 4 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
substituted

4. The following section is hereby substituted for section 4 of the Principal Ordinance:—

"Duties

4. (1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (1) of section 14 of this Ordinance, the Rural Police in time of peace shall act as an auxiliary to the Police Force in the performance of its ordinary duties, and in time of internal disturbance or external aggression shall assume the ordinary duties of the Police Force to such extent as may be found requisite by the Commissioner.

(2) The Estate Police shall be comprised of all such constables as are employees on any estates on each of which a force of ten or more constables is maintained, and shall be employed in maintaining order on, and in the protection of, such estates.

(3) The District Police shall be comprised of all such constables as are employees on any estates on each of which a force of less than ten constables is maintained, and shall be employed in maintaining order on, and in the protection of such estates.

(4) (a) Where the employer of any district constables wishes to employ, on the estate to which such constables belong, a number of constables in excess of nine, he shall apply to the Commissioner for approval to employ that number of constables on the said estate, and, if the approval is granted, the provisions of section 10 of this Ordinance shall apply in respect of the constables then employed on the said estate for the purposes of their appointment as estate constables.

(b) It shall be a condition of the approval of the Commissioner under this subsection that the precept of, and if so required by the Commissioner any article of equipment issued under the provisions of this Ordinance to, every district constable employed on the said estate shall be delivered over to the Commissioner or to the subordinate police officer in charge of the Police Station nearest to which such district constable resides.

(5) (a) Where the employer of any estate constables wishes to employ, on the estate to which such constables belong, a number of constables less than ten, he shall apply to the Commissioner for approval to employ that number of constables on the said estate, and if the approval is granted, the provisions of section 10 of this Ordinance shall apply in respect of the constables then employed on the said estate for the purposes of their appointment as district constables.

(b) It shall be a condition of the approval of the Commissioner under this subsection that the precept of, and if so required by the Commissioner any article of equipment issued under the provisions of this Ordinance to, every estate constable employed on the said estate shall be delivered over to the Commissioner or to the subordinate police officer in charge of the Police Station nearest to which such estate constable resides.

Section 7 of Principal Ordinance substituted

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5. The following section is hereby substituted for section 7 of the Principal Ordinance:—

7. Subject to the provisions hereinbefore and powers of contained—

"Number, distribution and powers of Supplemental Police

- (a) the Rural Police in each division shall consist of such number and grades of constables residing in the division as may with the sanction of the Governor from time to time be directed by the Commissioner. Their power and authority under this Ordinance shall extend throughout the division to which they are appointed;
- (b) the Estate Police and the District Police employed on any estate shall consist of such number and grades of constables as the employer may, subject to the approval of the Commissioner, require;
- (c) the Estate Police and the District Police shall have the power and authority of members of the Police Force in respect of all offences committed on the estate to which they belong and throughout the division in which the said estate is situate.

Section 8 of Principal Ordinance amended

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6. Subsection (1) of section 8 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended as follows—

- (a) by the substitution of the words "sixty years of age" for the words "fifty-five years of age"; and
- (b) by the deletion of the comma appearing after the word "Force" and the deletion of the words appearing thereafter.

Section 10 of Principal Ordinance amended

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7. Section 10 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended as follows—

- (a) in subsection (1) by the insertion, immediately after the word 'constable' at the end thereof, of the following words—  
"signed by the Commissioner, or on his behalf by any gazetted police officer thereunto lawfully authorised by him in writing"; and
- (b) in subsection (3) by the substitution, for the words "the Colony" appearing in the fifth line, of the following—  
"the.....Division of the Colony".

8. Section 11 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution, for the second sentence thereof, of the following:—

Section 11 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
amended

“The cost of these articles of equipment shall be defrayed, in the case of the Rural Police or members of the Estate or District Police in the employ of Her Majesty in Her Government of the Colony from funds which may be provided by the Legislative Council for such purpose, and in the case of other members of the Estate or District Police by the employer.”

9. Section 14 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended by the substitution of the words “the division to which he is appointed” for the words “the Colony” appearing in the first line.

Section 14 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
amended

10. Section 15 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended as follows—

Section 15 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
amended

(a) in subsection (1) by the substitution for the words “the Commissioner” of the following—

“Subject to the provisions of subsection (1) of section 14 of this Ordinance, the Commissioner”; and

(b) in subsection (3) by the substitution of the words “A rural constable” for the words and comma “Except in case of great urgency, a rural constable”.

11. Section 39 of the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended as follows—

Section 39 of  
Principal  
Ordinance  
amended

(a) by the re-numbering of the section as subsection (1) of the said section; and

(b) by the addition thereto of the following subsection as subsection (2) thereof:—

“(2) Rules made under this section may prescribe in respect of any contravention thereof or failure to comply therewith a penalty not exceeding imprisonment for six months or a fine not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars on summary conviction.”

First Schedule to Principal Ordinance substituted

12. The following Schedule is hereby substituted for the First Schedule to the Principal Ordinance:—

“FIRST SCHEDULE

(Section 10).

FORM OF PRECEPT TO CONSTABLE

Trinidad and Tobago:

The Supplemental Police Ordinance.

To..... of.....

The Commissioner of Police, under and by virtue of the power and authority in him vested by the Supplemental Police Ordinance, hereby appoints you to be a (Rural/Estate/District)\* Constable, and issues to you this Precept authorising you to act as a (Rural/Estate/District)\* Constable for the..... Division of the Colony.

(Signed)..... for the Commissioner of Police.

Second Schedule to Principal Ordinance amended

13. The Second Schedule to the Principal Ordinance is hereby amended as follows—

(a) by the substitution for the figures appearing in the third and fourth columns thereof opposite to the respective paragraphs as hereinafter indicated of the following figures:—

			<i>From</i>	<i>To</i>		
			\$	\$	\$	
1.	...	...	} 2.00	3.00		
2.	...	...				
3.	...	...				
4.	...	...	1.00	2.00		
5.	...	...			4.00	
					3.00	
6.	...	...			1.50	
7.	...	...			3.00	

(b) by the substitution, for the figures “\$4.80” and “\$2.40” appearing in paragraphs (3) and (4) of the Note, of the figures “\$6.00” and “\$4.00” respectively.

Third Schedule to Principal Ordinance amended

14. The following rule is hereby substituted for rule 2 contained in the Third Schedule to the Principal Ordinance:—

“2. Estate constables employed on the same estate may form a Branch of the Association.”

\*Delete what does not apply.

NOTE:—On the precept of Estate and District Constables the estate will be specified on the reverse.”

15. The amendments specified in the second column of the Schedule to this Ordinance (which relate to consequential and minor matters) shall respectively be made in the sections of the Principal Ordinance specified in the first column of the said Schedule.

Minor and consequential amendments

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Section		SCHEDULE		(Section 10)	
				Amendment	
2	(definition of the word "constable"); 9; 10 (3) (seventh line); 10 (4); 14 (2); 18 (1); 19 (2); 22; 25.	...	...	The words "or district" shall be inserted between the word "estate" and the word "constable" wherever they occur.	
10	(3), (ninth line) ...	...	...	The symbol and words "/District Constable" shall be inserted between the word "Constable" and the word "on".	
12	(1) ...	...	...	The words "and District" shall be inserted between the word "Estate" and the word "Police" wherever they occur.	
14	(1), (3) ...	...	...	The words "and district" shall be inserted between the word "estate" and the word "constable" wherever they occur.	
21	... ..	...	...	The words "and district" shall be inserted between the word "estate" and the word "constables" occurring in the sixth line.	

Passed in Council this eleventh day of February, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-five.

T. F. FARRELL

Clerk of the Council.